Kendriya Vidyalaya at Bastar

†3836. SHRI BASHISTHA NARAIN SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in construction of a building of Kendriya Vidyalaya at Bastar;

(b) whether it is a fact that for the lack of adequate place, the curricular and extra curricular facilities which should be provided are not being provided; and

(c) if so, the efforts being made for taking urgent steps for construction of the said building?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI): (a) Construction of permanent school building for Kendriya Vidyalaya at Bastar has been completed recently.

(b) and (c) Presently, the Kendriya Vidyalaya is running from a temporary site provided by the State Government, and the co-curricular activities are being organized in the available space of school campus. Adequate space will be available when the school shifts to its permanent building during the academic session 2006-07.

Assistance under National Nutrition Mission

3837. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have sanctioned Rs. 420 lakhs towards additional Central assistance programme in Adilabad and Mehboobnagar Districts of Andhra Pradesh under National Nutrition Mission 2003-2004 *vide* order F. No. 54(i)/PF 1/2003-348, dated 31st March, 2004;

(b) if so, the reasons for such delay even in releasing the funds for which sanction order had already been issued;

(c) whether Government would assure of releasing this already sanctioned amount immediately; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) This scheme funded through ACA was launched by the Planning Commission in 2002-03 in 51 identified districts on Pilot Project basis and was initiated in the middle of the year 2002-03. Its implementation in 2003-04 also was through Planning Commission. The delay in release of funds in 2003-04 was due to administrative reasons. However, in the year 2005-06, the money was released in time and the Government has also approved continuation of this Project in the year 2006-07.

(c) and (d) In the current financial year, a sum of Rs. 1113.73 lakhs have been allocated as ACA on 100% grant basis for implementation of this scheme in Adilabad and Mahboobnagar Districts of Andhra Pradesh. 50% of which *i.e.* Rs. 556.87 lakhs would be released as 1st instalment shortly.

Extension of mid-day meal scheme

3838. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Andhra Pradesh have requested Union Government for release of Rs. 98.41 crores to extend the Mid-day Meal Programme upto 10th class students in the State and whether further proposals have been submitted for release of Rs. 20-34 crores to continue the Mid-day Meals Programme during summer vacations in drought affected areas in the State;

(b) if so, whether Government would assure of releasing the funds at the earliest; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) A proposal was received from Government of Andhra Pradesh for Central assistance to provide mid-day meal to children studying up to 10th class. The proposal could not be agreed to due to the fact that the